

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1850 - SB 2887

March 22, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (016169): Adds business, industry, educator, for-profit-entity, U.S. Armed Forces, and trade association to the definition of course provider under the Course Access Program Act. Removes the authority of the State Board of Education (SBE) to approve and adopt additional enrollment requirements for the course access program. Specifies that SBE may exclude a course from the course access catalog if the course is offered by a school that was issued a "D" or "F" letter grade on the most recent state report card. Requires SBE to adopt a policy on extended learning opportunities.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Tennessee Code Annotated 49-18-106(f) authorizes SBE to exclude a course from the course access catalog for specified reasons; in addition, SBE is authorized to establish additional reasons and requirements for the exclusion of courses from the catalog. Therefore, authorizing SBE to exclude a course if the course is offered by a school that was issued a "D" or "F" letter grade on the most recent state report card will not result in a significant impact on the course access program.
- SBE will be able to implement changes to the course access program within existing resources and during the normal course of business.
- Any impact to state or local expenditures is estimated to be not significant

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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